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SUBJ: NARCOTICS CONTROL--POSSIBLE CANADIAN INTEREST IN PROVIDING
AIRCRAFT FOR BURMA

REF: A) STATE 15290 (NOTAL) B) RANGOON 0287 (NOTAL)

C) RANGOON 0581

1. IN EMBOFF CONVERSATION WITH CANADIAN SECOND SECRETARY
JAMES JUNKE ON FEB 21 PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FOR BURMA, JUNKE
SHOWED INTEREST IN POSSIBLE SALE OF CANADIAN-BUILT AIRCRAFT
TO GUB, BUT WAS DOUBTFUL THAT CANADIANS WOULD BE WILLING TO
SUPPLY AIRCRAFT TO BURMA AIR FORCE ON ANYTHING OTHER THAN COMMER-
CIAL TERMS BECAUSE OF POLITICAL SENSITIVITIES TO THEIR POS-
SIBLE USE IN COMBAT AGAINST INSURGENTS. EMBOFF SUGGESTED
THAT JUNKE NEVERTHELESS RAISE ISSUE WITH AMEMBASSY RANGOON
DURING HIS TRIP TO BURMA.

2. ON FEB 22 CANADIAN COMMERCIAL OFFICER CALLED EMBOFF TO
SAY THAT JUNKE HAD MENTIONED BURMESE INTEREST IN CANADIAN
AIRCRAFT TO HIM. HE CONFIRMED JUNKE'S INITIAL REACTION THAT
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AIRCRAFT, EVEN IF DESIGNATED FOR NARCOTICS USE, COULD
PROBABLY NOT RPT NOT BE SUPPLIED UNDER CANADIAN AID PRO-
GRAM. HE STATED THAT THERE HAD BEEN CONCERN EXPRESSED
BY CANADIAN AID OFFICIALS AT TIME TWIN OTTERS WERE GIVEN
TO UBA THAT THE AIRCRAFT MIGHT BE TURNED OVER TO THE BURMA
MILITARY RATHER THAN BE USED ON UBA FEEDER FLIGHTS. GUB
DID, HOWEVER, PURCHASE TWO OF THE TWIN OTTERS, SO COMMERCIAL

OFFICER THOUGHT IT POSSIBLE GUB MIGHT BE ABLE TO COME UP WITH
THE \$4.5 MILLION PURCHASE PRICE FOR A BUFFALO.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY BANGKOK DOES NOT HAVE BENEFIT
OF REFS A AND B AND WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT REPEATING
THEM TO US IF DEEMED APPROPRIATE.
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